

REMARKS

Claims 56-57 and 59-84 are now pending in the application.

Claims 56 and 84 have been amended pursuant to the Examiner's suggestion in the Office Action of June 18, 2003. These amendments are presented in an attempt to place the application in condition for allowance. Support for these amendments can be found in the specification and claims as originally filed and, therefore, no new matter has been added by these amendments.

The only remaining rejections raised by the Examiner in the Office Action of June 18, 2003 are once again based on 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) obviousness. Although Applicants do not concede the Examiner's position and further assert that the Second Declaration of Suzanne Dobbs, filed with the Applicants' communication of March 21, 2003, cured the three and only three previously alleged defects specifically recited in the Office Action of September 24, 2002, the amendments to Claims 56 and 84 submitted herewith, as suggested by the Examiner in the instant Office Action, obviate any further rejection of the pending claims.

CONCLUSION

In view of the Amendments and Remarks set out above, the rejections set forth in the Office Action of June 18, 2003 have been overcome and the application is in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicants respectfully seek notification of same.

A credit card payment authorization form in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed for the One-Month Extension of Time fee. No additional fee is believed due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0629.

Respectfully submitted,

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